A commendation of

Rabbi Rubens orginal seking Ebrew Gospel from Albion to be kept for Posterity by the LL. care:

A monument against a sonne of Belial : who hindred the proceding of a most glorious cause : to call the curse of Iewes & Gentiles to light vpon him.

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I mentioned R. H. in a commentarie vpon the Apocalyps a libeller in the depth of Atheiſme, who libelled that the Iewes Epiſtle, which ſome of your Lordſhips ſaw ſent from Byzantian Rome, or Conſtantinus towne, to London, & bade ſend it thence for Baſil to me: He libelled that I feigned the matter. Here vpon I haue complayned to God & the world in many the higheſt degrees. The very Iew prayſed God, that from the endes of the Earth hee heard the prayſes of the Eter-

Eternall, & sayd: from Esay hee loked to heare that, from the endes of the earth. How honorable & how thankfull English haue bene I can tell: that all the Gold they gaue me was so liquide: that I could poure it into myne ey, & see never an whit the worse. All forraine townes of my stay yea Popish, wold in my faith geven content to dye with them. The highest slaunder that ever could bee in the world was this: that I should forge a Iewes letter seking Ebrew Gospel from vs. They had triumphed: that Christ, & Princes

ces wold not presently kill such an Athean vilain. The false accuser by Moyses must bee in place : & after conviction the iudges : not geving right. But iudges are not to take notion of the Party without accusation & prose. The libeller hath hindered now fiften yeres advãtage to haue cleared the Gospell in Ebrew from Albion over all , & hath stird many to rave againſt Ebrew institutions in steed of thankes : that many say, the Iewes time is not yet come. And some vow their childrẽ to my course of Ebrew : & requested all my Ebrew

brew Library that when I am dead, they may mark my hand how I marked Thalmudiques. An hundreth yeres hence this matter may come into ſpech. And becauſe the libeller muſt be confuted by the very original of the Iewes Epiſtle, I haue ſent your Lordſhips that: to be kept in the Kings Library for euer: Paſted with an Arabique book: that the few leaues being a lone ſhould not be waſted. I doubt not but your Lordſhips in an honour gevē to your countrey in ſo high an argument, will ſee that the Iewes originall ſhall bee

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kept as any the beſt recordes. And yf the libeller can be found out, & proved who hee is: I doubt not but your Lordſhips will wiſh the Eternall curſe of God, vpon the libeller for Athean villany: & not vpon your ſelfes for countenancing the vndeſerving in higheſt degree of badnes.

Your Lordſhips, πολύτλας

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